

Mr Brian Bell General Manager Lake Macquarie City Council Box 1906 Hunter Regional Mail Centre NSW 2310

Our ref: 16/15285

Dear Mr Bell

## Determination of application for a site compatibility certificate for Lots 3411 & 3412 DP 1078978, No. 50 and 50A Burton Road, Mount Hutton

I refer to an application of 29 November 2016 for a site compatibility certificate under clause 25 of State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing for Seniors and People with a Disability) 2004 (the SEPP) in relation to 50 and 50A Burton Road, Mount Hutton (Lots 3411 & 3412 DP 1078978).

As the Secretary's delegate, I have determined the application for a site compatibility certificate under clause 25(4) of the SEPP by issuing a certificate subject to the satisfaction of certain requirements specified in the certificate (clause 25(7)). I have attached a copy of the Certificate of Site Compatibility.

Noting the requirement in Schedule 2 of the certificate, it is the Department's view that further consideration should be given to the scale of development, including the height of apartment buildings and the number of housing units proposed, noting the need for the development to be compatible with the surrounding environment. In addition, it is recognised that Council will require further assessment of flood affectation and management to identify developable areas, ensure adequate consideration of risk, suitability of development and evacuation measures.

The final development form and layout of the proposed seniors housing development shall be determined by the consent authority through the assessment of the development application under section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

My letter to the applicant encourages them to liaise with Council in relation to planning and design matters, for example height and flood management, prior to the lodgement of a detailed development application. If you have any questions in relation to this matter, please contact Ms Monica Gibson, Director, Hunter and Central Coast region of the Department of Planning and Environment on (02) 4904 2708.

Yours sincerely

Stephen Murray 26 Febrary 2017

Executive Director Planning Services

Encl: Site Compatibility Certificate